



Electric Program Investment Charge



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EPIC Program- Background

- The Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) is designed to assist the development of non-commercialized new and emerging clean energy technologies in California, while providing assistance to commercially viable projects.
- CPUC found that each of the first triennial investment plans offer a reasonable probability of providing electricity ratepayer benefits by promoting greater reliability, lowering costs, and increasing safety.
- Projects should be selected for award of EPIC funding on a competitive basis unless the administrators have specifically detailed and justified exceptions to this in their approved investment plans. PRC§ 25711.5 requires competitive bidding to be the preferred method for the CEC to award EPIC funds and imposes specific requirements.
- EPIC administrators are required to report the use of non-competitive awards in their annual reports to the Commission.



EPIC Funding for 2012-2014 Investment Plans

Funding Element	CEC	Utilities	CPUC	Total (\$ Millions)
Applied Research	\$55.0	-	-	\$55.0
Technology Demonstration and Deployment	\$45.0*	\$30.0	-	\$75.0
Market Facilitation	\$15.0	-	-	\$15.0
Program Administration	\$12.8	\$3.4	-	\$16.2
Program Oversight	-	-	\$0.8	\$0.8
Total (\$ Millions)	\$127.8	\$33.4	\$0.8	\$162.0

- *A minimum of 20% of the CEC's funding for technology demonstration and deployment must be used for bioenergy projects
- The figures above will be adjusted on January 1, 2015 commensurate with the average change in the Consumer Price Index, specifically the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the third quarter, for the previous three years.



EPIC Program- Funding by each PA

Program Administrators 2012-2014 Triennial Investment Plan Program Budget Allocations (in \$ Millions)				
Program Administrator	2012	2013	2014	Total
CEC	113.1	127.8	127.8	368.7
PG&E	15.1	17.1	17.1	49.3
SCE	12.2	14.1	14.1	40.4
SDG&E	2.6	3.0	3.0	8.6
Total	143.0	162.0	162.0	467.0

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EPIC Program is now Live

- On November 1, 2012, each of the Program Administrators submitted their respective initial triennial investment plans to the CPUC for consideration
- The investment plans were modified and approved in Decision 13-11-025 on November 14, 2013.
- The Program Administrators will now hold competitive solicitations, and grant awards to successful bidders and report the award recipients in their annual report filings.
- The CPUC will continue to oversee the implementation of the EPIC program and will begin the deliberation process for the second triennial investment cycle after May 1, 2014 once the program administrators file their second round of investment plan applications with the CPUC.



Next Steps- EPIC Program

- Program Administrators will submit their second triennial investment plan applications to the CPUC on May 1, 2014.
- After receiving the second proposed EPIC investment plans, the CPUC will begin its deliberation process for the second triennial investment cycle continuing through November, 2014.



EPIC Program- CPUC Schedule

	Investment Plan 1	Investment Plan 2	Investment Plan 3
Funding Period	2012 - 2014	2015 - 2017	2018 - 2020
Investment Plan Development	July – October 2012	January – March 2014	January – March 2017
Proposed Plan Submitted to CPUC	November 1, 2012	May 1, 2014	May 1, 2017
CPUC deliberations	November 2012 – April 2013	May – November 2014	May – November 2017
CPUC Decision	May 2013	December 2014	December 2017



EPIC Program- Reporting and Ongoing Oversight

- Program Administrators shall file reports annually on February 28 each year.
- CPUC will hire an Independent Evaluator to review the EPIC program by 2016.



How can you get involved?

Visit the CPUC Proceeding Webpage:

<http://delaps1.cpuc.ca.gov/CPUCProceedingLookup/f?p=401:1:0>

The EPIC Proceeding number is A1211001, please subscribe to this proceeding to receive the new proceeding number for the second investment plan cycle.

You will be able to see the CPUC specific information, investment plans, comments, reply comments, rulings and any decisions the ALJ issues with regards to EPIC on this page.

Contact the Program Administrators Directly



EPIC Webpages

CPUC EPIC Webpage:

<http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/energy/Climate+Change/research+and+development.htm>

CEC EPIC Webpage:

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/research/epic/>

PG&E EPIC Webpage :

<http://www.pge.com/en/about/environment/pge/epic/index.page>

SDG&E EPIC Webpage :

<http://www.sdge.com/epic>

SCE EPIC Webpage :

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